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The cited reference, Japanese Published Patent Application No. Hei. 10-290266, is submitted in the Japanese language. U.S. Patent

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6,154,505, the corresponding English-language patent, is also submitted herewith.

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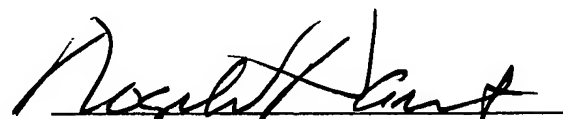
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